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TO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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SUBJECT: VISIT TO AUSTRALIA OF USDA SCIENTIST WALTER MERTZ

1. DEPARTMENT HAS GIVEN APPROVAL UNDER PL 80-402 FOR DR. WALTER MERTZ, RESEARCH CHEMIST, AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TO ACCEPT AN INVITATION TO VISIT AUSTRALIA FROM APRIL 27 TO JUNE 3 EXTENDED HIM BY THE COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANIZATION (CSIRO). MERTZ WILL PRESENT THE SEVENTH DAVID RIVETT MEMORIAL LECTURE AT THE CONGRESS OF THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE IN HOBART TASMANIA AND WILL ALSO VISIT AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS. CSIRO INVITATION OFFERS FIRST CLASS TRANSPORTATION, AN HONORARIUM OF \$A1,000 TRAVEL EXPENSES BETWEEN BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND AND AUSTRALIA AND SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES OF \$42 PER DAY IN AUSTRALIA. AS A U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE TRAVELLING UNDER OFFICIAL TRAVEL ORDERS MERTZ CANNOT ACCEPT HONORARIUM AND MUST TRAVEL BY LESS THAN FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS WHEN AVAILABLE. USDA REQUESTS THAT EMBASSY MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH CSIRO 1) TO PROVIDE ROUNDTRIP TRANSPORTATION TO AUSTRALIA "INKIND", (I.E. THE MAILING OF AIR UNCLASSIFIED

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TICKET TO MERTZ) AND 2) FOR DEPOSIT OF FUNDS FOR INTERNAL

TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES WITH EMBASSY IN AN

UNNUMBERED ACCOUNT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF 4 FAM 325.2,  
TO BE RECORDED ON FORM FS-459 WITH CONFIRMATION BY  
CABLE. IF AN IDENTIFYING ACCOUNT NUMBER IS REQUIRED  
SYMBOL 19X6809 IS SUGGESTED. FUNDS THUS DEPOSITED  
WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MERTZ UPON REQUEST DURING HIS  
VISIT. BEFORE DEPARTING AUSTRALIA MERTZ WILL ACCOUNT FOR  
AND RETURN ANY FUNDS REMAINING TO CSIRO THROUGH EMBASSY  
ACCOUNT.

2. PERSON EXTENDING INVITATION TO MERTZ IS J.R. PRICE,  
CHAIRMAN OF CSIRO, P.O. BOX 225, DICKSON, A.C.T. 2602,  
TELEPHONE 48 4621. KISSINGER

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